



DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Billing Code 9111-97

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

Agency Information Collection Activities: Revision of an Existing Information Collection, Comment Request.

Action: 60-Day Notice of Information Collection Under Review: Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification.

The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) will be submitting the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection notice is published in the Federal Register to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for sixty days until [Insert date 60 days from date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER].

Written comments and suggestions regarding items contained in this notice, and especially with regard to the estimated public burden and associated response time should be directed to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), USCIS, Office of Policy and Strategy, Sunday Aigbe, Acting Chief, Regulatory Coordination Division, 20 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20529. Comments may also be submitted to DHS via facsimile to 202-272-8352, or via email at uscisfrcomment@dhs.gov. When submitting comments by email add the OMB Control Number 1615-0047 in the subject box.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies should address one or more of the following four points:

- (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

- (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of this information collection:

- (1) **Type of Information Collection:** Revision of a currently approved information collection.
- (2) **Title of the Form/Collection:** Employment Eligibility Verification.
- (3) **Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security sponsoring the collection:** Form I-9. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.
- (4) **Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:**
Primary: Employers, employees, recruiters and referrers for a fee (limited to agricultural associations, agricultural employers, or farm labor contractors), and state employment agencies. This form was developed to facilitate compliance with section 274A of the Immigration and Nationality Act, which prohibits the knowing employment of unauthorized aliens. This information collection is necessary for employers, agricultural recruiters and referrers for a fee, and state employment agencies to verify the identity and employment

authorization of individuals hired (or recruited or referred for a fee, if applicable) for employment in the United States.

- (5) **An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:** This figure was derived by multiplying the number of respondents (78,000,000) x frequency of response (1) x hour per response .16 hours (10 minutes). The annual record keeping burden is added to the total annual reporting burden which is based on 20,000,000 record keepers at .05 hours (3 minutes) per filing.
- (6) **An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:** 13,480,000 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the information collection instrument, please visit the USCIS website at:
<http://www.regulations.gov/fdmspublic/component/main>. We may also be contacted at: USCIS, Office of Policy and Strategy, Regulatory Coordination Division, 20 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20529, Telephone number 202-272-8377.

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